

# The Studies of the Empire of Japan and Its Legacies: New Directions and New Perspectives

~ A new research initiative for the advancement of Asia-Pacific Studies on UHM campus ~

## Preinaugural Symposium

“The Intersection of Empire Studies and Linguistic Fieldwork:

Linguistic Lessons from Japan’s Multilingual Imperial Past and Their Implications for Japan’s Multicultural Future”

**Public Lecture:** 12:00-13:30, Tuesday March 12, 2019, Tokioka Room, Moore Hall 319

**Source-Analysis Workshop:** 10:00-12:00, Wednesday, March 13, Hamilton Library 401

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In Fall 2019, a new multi-year research, networking, and resource-development initiative, “Studies of the Empire of Japan and Its Legacies: New Directions and New Perspectives,” will be launched on the UHM campus. The purpose of the initiative is to create a new academic platform at the University of Hawai‘i to promote international research and collaboration, development of scholarly and public resources, and cross-border exchange of scholarly knowledge and information on the studies the Empire of Japan (1868-1945) and its legacies, and, to that end, to make use of unique strengths of the University of Hawai‘i as the world’s premier research institution for the advancement of Japan, Asia, Hawai‘i, and Pacific Studies.

A two-day preinaugural symposium is scheduled on March 12-13, 2019, featuring four scholars who specialize in studies of languages in the outlying areas of the former Japanese empire. Please join us for a wide-ranging discussion on the theme of the preinaugural event as well as the overall mission of the new initiative.

## Featured Speakers & Paper Titles:

- **Daniel Long**, Professor, Tokyo Metropolitan University, “The Bonin Islands as the First Steps towards the Japanese Empire: Imperial Implications of Empirical Sociolinguistics”
- **Yoshiyuki Asahi**, Associate Professor, National Institute of Japanese Linguistics, “The Impacts of the Japanese Empire on Multilingualism and Multiculturalism in Sakhalin”
- **Keisuke Imamura**, Assistant Professor, Tokyo Medical and Dental University, “Developing a Japanese Loanword Dictionary in Palauan: The Significance of Documenting the Linguistic Impact Seventy Years after the End of the Japanese Empire
- **Masahiro Koga**, Ph.D. candidate, Tokyo Metropolitan University, “The Linguistic Environment of Imperial Manchuria: Documentation and Analysis of Diachronic and Regional Complexity”

## Hosts/Discussants:

**Yuma Totani**, Professor, Department of History; **Hanae Kramer**, Assistant Professor, School of Communications